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Applicant: Yasutaka SHIMOKAWATOKO et al. Conf.: 8303
Appl. No.: 09/289,180 Group: 1623
Filed : April 9, 1999 Examiner: P. TUNG
FOR : A METHOD FOR EVALUATING THE ABILITY OF A
COMPOUND TO INHIBIT THE OXIDASE ACTIVITY

SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 18, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Advisory Action dated August 17, 2001, the following supplemental amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims ~~33~~ and ~~35~~ without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend the following claims:

1/28. (Twice Amended) A method for evaluating the ability of a compound to inhibit protoporphyrinogen oxidase activity, comprising the steps of:

(1) transforming with a vector a host cell deficient in

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